

From Paris, by telegraph and mail of interest. We now see the recent action in the fortifications of the city of Paris. The German army is now attacking the city from the east. The French army is now attacking the city from the west. The city is now in a state of siege. The German army is now attacking the city from the east. The French army is now attacking the city from the west. The city is now in a state of siege.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Congress assembled again on Wednesday. In the Senate a resolution was adopted discharging the joint committee on Reconstruction from the consideration of the resolution directing an inquiry into the alleged complicity of Senator Sprague with blockade runners in Texas during the war, and the matter was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five. The bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue three hundred million additional five per cent. bonds, was taken up and passed. A resolution was adopted directing the Committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of imposing a stamp tax to the amount of one dollar upon each application for official position, and upon each signature appended thereto, made to the President of the United States, or to head of any Executive Department, where the salary of the position sought is not less than \$1,000, and fifty cents additional where the salary exceeds \$1,000.

In the Senate, on Thursday, the bill to pay Dr. Best, a "loyal" citizen of Kentucky, for his house destroyed by Union troops during the war was passed. This is a test case for similar claims. The bill was also passed to relieve insurance companies from certain taxation on untrustworthy funds. A resolution was adopted calling for the Moley correspondence, which is expected to bring out some interesting documents in regard to the recall of the minister to Great Britain. Several important bills were introduced, and the Senate adjourned till Monday.

In the House, General Schenck's resignation was formally presented. Mr. Orth, of Indiana, was put in his place on the ways and means committee. Mr. Orth submitted the majority report from the committee on foreign affairs upon Paraguay and the Bliss & Masterman cases. Mr. Swann, of Maryland, submitted the minority report, and speeches were made by both gentlemen.

THE MODIFIED TARIFF.

The Modified Tariff which, under the act of July 13, 1870 went into operation January 1st, makes some important changes. A great many articles, used in manufactures, are now placed on the free list. Acids and chemicals especially, gum, barks, ivory, wood for manufacture of paper, rags, seeds, etc., statutory, imported for national or municipal corporations or institutions; paintings, drawings, etchings, and engravings, casts for works of art, the production of American artists; books printed more than twenty years; scientific apparatus provided for libraries; instruments for educational purposes, and animals owned by immigrants or imported for breeding purposes, or for exhibition for limited period, are henceforth to be entered duty free. On several articles of general consumption the duty is reduced, coffee which paid five, now pays but three cents a pound duty. Tea is reduced from twenty-five to fifteen cents, sugar about a cent a pound, molasses from eight to five cents a gallon, and pepper from fifteen to five cents a pound. The duty on cordials is also lessened. Additional protection has been given to manufacturers of alkali, nickel, German silver and mixed metal; to watch materials and watch ornaments, to silk buttons, to flax, to hairpins, and a few other articles. The change, as far as it goes, is decidedly beneficial. Coming, as it does, at a time of unusual depression it will afford some relief, by the lessening of prices of articles of prime necessity, to the laboring classes. Next Congress will undoubtedly make a still further and marked reduction in the duty on all articles which are articles of general consumption.

THE INDIANA LEGISLATURE.

The Indiana Legislature met on Thursday, and both branches organized by electing Democratic officers. In the Senate, this was effected by the absence of two Republican members, and by two others, named Hughes and Elliot, voting with the Democrats. After organizing, a resolution was adopted declaring Benson, one of the Republican Senators, not entitled to vote, on the ground of bribery and fraud in his election, and his case was referred to a select committee. This, with the action of the two voting Republicans, gives the Democrats three majority in the Senate. The Republican Senators are so much excited, that it is rumored that they will resign and go home.

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Upon the application of Samuel Fenimore,

Administrator of Thomas Murphy, late of Appo-

quimink Hundred in said County, deceased:

it is ordered and directed by the Register that

the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the

granting of Letters of Administration upon the

Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting

thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted

within forty days from the date of such Letters,

in six of the most public places of the County of

New Castle, requiring all persons having de-

mands against the Estate, to present the same,

or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case

made and provided. And also cause the same

to be inserted within the same period in the

Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published

in Middletown, and to be continued therein two

months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Of-

fice of the Register aforesaid, at New

Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day

and year above written.

B. GIBBS,

Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against

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